

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend Paragraph 0036 of the published application as follows:

[0036] The air induction system also includes an air intake box 64 or a "plenum chamber" for smoothing intake air and acting as an intake silencer. The intake box 64 in the illustrated embodiment is generally configured as a ~~rectangular~~ rectangle and defines a plenum chamber 66. Other shapes of the intake box of course are possible, but it is desired to make the plenum chamber as large as possible within the space provided in the engine compartment. The rectangular shape of at least a principal portion of the illustrated intake box 64 advantageously conforms to the space between the upper surface of the engine 12 and the interior surface of the upper portion of the hull 18.

Please amend Paragraph 0055 of the published application as follows:

[0055] The engine 12 also includes a blow-by gas and oil mist collection system. Although several piston rings are disposed around the respective pistons and substantially prevent the air/fuel charges from leaking to a crankcase chamber 114, defined within the crankcase member 56, from the combustion chambers, part of the charges nevertheless pass through the seal due to the tremendous pressure in the combustion chambers. The air/fuel charges that have leaked ~~[[form]]~~ from the combustion chambers form blow-by gases and drift into the crankcase chamber 114. In addition, the lubricant oil in the crankcase chamber 114 can form oil mist due to rapid rotation of the crankshaft and the oil mist also drifts within the crankcase chamber 114.